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Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

*RE: In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations (WT Docket No. 11-65).*

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As CEO of First Farmers & Merchants Bank, I am writing to ask for your support for the T-Mobile, AT&T merger. Our bank strives to be the premier community bank in Tennessee. We aspire to be recognized as the leading provider of high quality services and products that meet the financial needs of our customers.

In order to accomplish this, we are guided by three commitments: to foster the well-being and growth of our employees; to promote the economic vitality of the communities in which we live; and to provide our shareholders with a profitable return on their investment without compromising the bank's solid financial strength.

Broadband for America, a national group that promotes broadband adoption, says that more access can promote economic development and revitalization through e-commerce. One growing pillar of e-commerce is mobile banking, which allows users to manage their accounts on the go, get alerts from banks that let them keep better account of their finances and even deposit checks remotely. Unfortunately, this reality is not available in parts of rural America where high-speed broadband is still a long way off.

I have been advised that AT&T's deployment plans after the merger promise to bring advanced wireless service to millions more Americans around the country, growing e-commerce and the potential for us to interact more directly with our customers wishing to take a more hands-on approach to their financial management.

If the union of AT&T and T-Mobile will deliver fast mobile broadband to our community, we urge you to approve the merger. It will be good for both my company and Tennessee's future.

Sincerely,

T. Randy Stevens, Chairman and CEO

CC:

Commissioner Mignon Clyburn  
Commissioner Michael Copps  
Commissioner Robert McDowell

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